

# AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE OF THE BOND ELECTION ADVISORY TASK FORCE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MARCH 19, 2012

The Affordable Housing Committee of the Bond Election Advisory Task Force convened in a regular meeting on Monday, March 19, 2012, at City Hall, 301 W.  $2^{nd}$  Street, Room 1029, in Austin, Texas.

Committee Chair Heather Way called the Committee Meeting to order at 5:27 pm. A quorum was present.

#### **Task Force Members in Attendance:**

Don Baylor, Jr. Linda Guerrero Jennifer McPhail

Tom Spencer Heather Way

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the February 28, 2012 meeting were approved on Committee Member Spencer's motion, Committee Member McPhail's second, and a vote of 4-0. Committee Member Baylor was off the dais.

# 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- **Spencer Duran** Requested \$110 million in bond funding for Housing Affordability program and that 10% of transportation funds in the bond be used to support critical infrastructure associated with affordable housing developments.
- Charles Cloutman, Home Repair Program of Meals on Wheels and More, and the Austin Housing Repair Coalition Described low income home owners in need of home repair services and associated funding from Housing Affordability program.
- **David Claus, American YouthWorks** Described value of home repair program with regard to the American YouthWorks YouthBuild program that completes home repairs. Home repair funds also provide job training skills for youth in the program.
- **Kelly Weiss, Austin Habitat and PeopleFund** Spoke about leveraging of bond dollars with other funding sources and how funds spent on homes comes back to City through other revenues.
- Marilyn Hartman, National Alliance on Mental Illness Advocated for permanent supportive housing options for individuals with mental illness.
- **Stuart Hersh** Commented on affordable housing component of Imagine Austin and relationship to future affordable housing bond program.

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS – BRIEFINGS

# A. Overview of 2006 Affordable Housing Bonds

The presentation was made by Rebecca Giello of Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, David Potter of Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, and Frances Ferguson of Housing Works Austin.

# B. Overview of Affordable Housing Components of Imagine Austin

The presentation was made by Matt Dugan, Planning and Development Review.

### 4. NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

### A. Decision making process for making committee recommendations

The Committee did not take action on this item. They did discuss what decisions will need to be made for its recommendation. The decisions include how much to recommend for affordable housing, what to recommend for the Colony Park project, and policy recommendations.

# B. Recommendations on projects and programs for future bond funding or developing a bond package

The Committee did not take action on this item.

# 5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Committee members requested Housing Works Austin coordinate with partner agencies that carry out the various affordable housing programs to present and discuss current and future affordable housing needs in Austin.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The motion to adjourn the meeting was approved on Committee Member Spencer's motion, Committee Member McPhail's second, on a 7-0 vote. Chair Way adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.